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**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: 911 Chargeback

[EXTERNAL EMAIL from [kpaulson@cftc.gov](mailto:kpaulson@cftc.gov)]

All,

The CFTC will respond in very short order. Please note that we will respond to the email that Dakota sent late last night with his proposal so that there is a clear record as to the proposal to which we're responding.

Thank you,  
Katie

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Thank you Jonathan. I completely agree with you. Defendants' team is standing by to address the chargebacks so that these substantial, ongoing losses can be mitigated. This is not a job that can be effectively handled by the Temporary Receiver, the CFTC, or a third party.

Anthony and Ashley: please advise as soon as possible whether you will agree to the approach I outlined in my email last night.

Best,  
Dakota

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[EXTERNAL EMAIL from [jonathanengel@dwt.com](mailto:jonathanengel@dwt.com)]

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Counsel,

It is Stripe's recommendation that the parties arrange for Defendants to manage the chargeback process. Defendants are already experienced with the WooCommerce dashboard, have existing processes and resources to manage chargebacks, and have the most immediate access to information needed to manage chargebacks. Chargebacks911 was not available today, and in any event, their service is relatively costly and would require Defendants' participation to be effective. If the parties cannot agree among themselves that Defendants are best suited to manage chargebacks, then Stripe will engage Chargebacks911 at Stripe's own expense to mitigate ongoing risk. Without direct access to information from Defendants, Stripe's engagement of Chargebacks911 will be less efficient and more difficult, but it will be more effective than doing nothing. Please advise by 5 PT.

Jonathan

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Thanks all. Time is of the essence. Please keep me in the loop.

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Much appreciated

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On Sep 22, 2023, at 1:22 PM, Engel, Jonathan <[JonathanEngel@dwt.com](mailto:JonathanEngel@dwt.com)> wrote:

I'll let you know in the next hour

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Jonathan  
Please update me on status and whether we are having a call. I am very concerned that since there is a 6 hour time difference in Ireland we may lose our opportunity to resolve this today. Thank you for your efforts.

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